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Report of the Juridical Sub-Committee
on Article 8 of Annex B and Article 4 of Annex A

The Juridical Sub-Committee met on 25 April 1951, in order to consider, inter alia, Article 8 of Annex B and Article 4 of Annex A to the Draft International Sanitary Regulations.

Representatives of the following delegations were present: Belgium, Chile, Egypt, France, India, Indonesia, Netherlands, Switzerland, United Kingdom and the United States of America.

M. Maspétiol (France) was in the chair.

The following paragraphs indicate the findings of the Sub-Committee:

Article 8 of Annex B

The Sub-Committee considered that the terms of Article 8 might permit a State, in making requirements in excess of those prescribed in Articles 2-7 of Annex B in so far as ships of another State were concerned, to discriminate between the requirements applicable to those ships and those applicable to its national ships, employed for pilgrim traffic.

The Sub-Committee also considered that such excess requirements could only be imposed by the State where the pilgrims embarked on departure for the Pilgrimage.

The Sub-Committee, therefore, recommended that Article 8 be reworded as follows:-

"Each State may submit ships embarking pilgrims for the Hedjaz in its ports to requirements in excess of those prescribed in Articles 2-7 inclusive, provided that such requirements are in conformity with the laws of that State."

